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SUBJ: ETHIO-NORTH KOREAN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS ANNOUNCED

REF: ADDIS 6762 AND PREVIOUS

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED:

1. ON JUNE 8 ETHIOPIAN RADIO CARRIED MOFA STATEMENT ANNOUNCING
ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN ETHIOPIA AND
THE DPRK. ANNOUNCEMENT CLOSELY FOLLOWED TEXT CITED PARA 3
REFTEL. END
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BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL:

2. MOF'S ACTING AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR, WHO MUST BE
FULLY PROTECTED, TOLD POL COUNSELOR IN INFORMAL CONVERSATION
JUNE 9 THAT THIS DECISION HAD CAUSED CONSIDERABLE AGONIZING
WITHIN MOFA. CONCERN OVER POSSIBLE AMERICAN RETALIATION HAD
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BEEN EXPRESSED, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO ETHIOPIAN POSITION

ON UNC (NOT REFERRED TO IN EPMG-DPRK COMMUNIQUE). ACTING AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR WOULD NOT BE MORE SPECIFIC. HOWEVER (HAVING IN MIND SEOUL'S 4047), WE ASSUME THAT ETHIOPIA WILL WITHDRAW PERSONNEL FROM THAT COMMAND.

3. IN RESPONSE, POL COUNSELOR CONVEYED GIST OF USG POSITION SET FORTH PARA 8 STATE 131759 AND ADDED THAT NOW THAT ETHIOPIA HAS RELATIONS WITH BOTH KOREAS, WE WOULD BE WATCHING THE EPMG'S POSITIONS AT THE 30TH UNGA CLOSELY IN THE EXPECTATION THAT IT WOULD BE MON-ALIGNED IN FACT AS WELL AS IN NAME.

4. ASKED WHETHER ETHIOPIA HAD RECEIVED ANY SATISFACTION FROM THE DPRK ON THE ISSUE THAT HAD LONG BEEN OUTSTANDING BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES (VIZ., NORTH KOREAN TRAINING OF SOMALI GUERILLAS), THE ACTING AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR SADLY SHRUGGED HIS SHOULDERS AND SHOOK HIS HEAD.
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